

FOUNDATION

Literacy & Numeracy Update

Students have continued their work segmenting and blending words. We have been using flash cards in which students have been able to segment the word in their head before blending together out loud. We have also learnt about Australia in our content knowledge sessions and the animals we may find there.

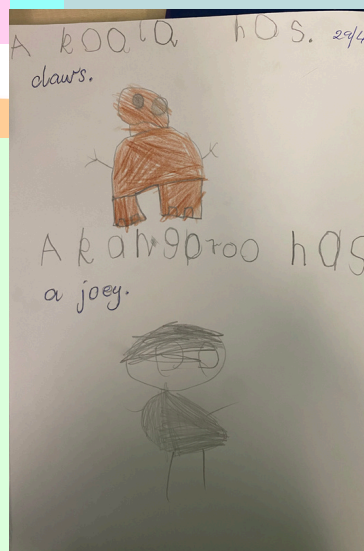
In Numeracy, students are focusing the skill of part-part-whole. We have completed many activities that have helped us to realise that numbers can be made up of parts. eg 3 (part) and 2 (part) make 5 (whole). Our students have become much quicker at identifying either the parts of a whole number or determining the whole number when given the parts.

Skill in Focus: Take Home Reading

We have recently begun to have students take home reading work whether that be Elkonin boxes to help with their sound knowledge or decodable readers. With this task, students are required to practice what they have learnt in class, whether that be improving their phonological awareness (the sounds they hear in words) or practicing their phonics (matching the letters with their sounds). To support your child reading at home we encourage you to read the decodable books coming home each and every night with your child. Point to the graphemes (letters), make its sound (phoneme) and blend the sounds together to read the words. The practicing of this skill every night will really help with not only your child's ability but also their confidence! It's amazing the growth they have all made already.

Upcoming Learning

Students are learning about My Country, My Place, My World. This week we are focusing on North America and the animals you might find there. We are also introducing new sounds, including some digraphs! During Maths, we will be having plenty of "Dot talks", where students will identify how many dots they see and how they figured this out.



5	and	3	make	9
11	and	5	make	9
5	and	5	make	11
6	and	4	make	10
2	and	5	make	7
3	and	6	make	9

